ACTON HOUSING AUTHORITY

Minutes of the Regular Meeting, March 21, 2000, 4:30 PM at 68 Windsor Avenue, Acton, MA

Attendance: Diane Poulos Harpell, Claire Kostro, Joseph Nagle, Jean Schoch. Naomi E. McManus/Acton Housing Authority

Absent: Dean Cavaretta

1). Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 14, 2000 was deferred until the next Regular Meeting scheduled April 18, 2000 at 4:30 PM.

2). Old Business

- A). The Executive Director informed the members that she has submitted an application to the A/B United Way in the amount of \$4,840 which will cover the budget shortfall of the Authority's Parent Aide Mentor Program (\$1700) and will also fully fund the Authority's nine (9) month Women's Support Group (\$3140).
- B). The Executive Director recommended that the Board not submit an application to Housing and Urban Development (HUD)'s Section 8 Fair Share Vouchers Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). Ms. McManus explained the NOFA was giving a higher point system to Public Housing Authorities (PHA)s & Non Profits who were representing regional areas and also willing to give up their local preferences. She pointed out the application process has become very lengthy and did not encouraging small HAs with limited staff to apply. It was the sense of the members that Acton would not apply if it meant the Authority had to give up their local preference.
- C). The Executive Director informed the Board that she had submitted a letter to the Jenks Fund (Selectmen) asking for funds to provide partial A/B Community Education summer camp scholarships for five (5) of the Acton Housing Authority clients children.

3). New Business

Claire Kostro moved to authorize the Authority's Chairman to sign the Section 8 Management Assessment Program (SEMAP) Certification form. Diane Poulos Harpell seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

4). The Regular Meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Executive Director